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RESPONSE

In re application of:

NGUYEN *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/227,881

Filed: January 11, 1999

For: **Nucleic Acids, Kits and Methods
for the Diagnosis, Prognosis and
Treatment of Glaucoma and
Related Disorders**

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit the following remarks in response to the March 4, 2002 Office
Action (Paper No. 25).

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise
be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of
time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time
are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including
fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account
No. 50-1824 referencing matter number 16491.066.